

PENINSULA BELGIAN AMERICAN CLUB

Historical Chronology
taken from Secretary's Minutes

May 27, 1964	First page of Minutes; W. E. Charles, Sec'y; No name of Chairman given. Meetings held on last Wednesday of each month; in Green Bay on third Thursday. Harry Svoboda appointed Chairman of Kermis Committee. Schoolhouse to be moved; rooms to be rebuilt and painted.
June 24, 1964	Harry Chaudoir, Sr. appointed Chairman of Kermis Committee. 49 members
July 29, 1964	54 paid members; 86 pledged.
August 26, 1964	Kermis held in Green Bay, August 23.
May 9, 1965	Informal meeting to discuss seeding of fields with hay, oats, and barley.
July 22, 1966	Treasurer Leonard Lampereur reported \$1067.60 in treasury. Following members worked on Kermis---Joe Boulanger, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Fontaine, Harold Guilette, Clarence DeKeyser, Harry Chaudoir, Jr., Mrs. Dempsey, Lawrence Chaudoir, and Leonard Lampereur. L. Chaudoir, Secretary
August 19, 1966	Gary Fontaine, Secretary
September 15, 1966	Evaluation of Kermis (none on record)
Feb. 27, 1967	Harry Chaudoir, President Old school offered by George Baudhuin to the Club.
October 31, 1967	Harold Guilette elected as third Trustee. Card party committee: Alvina Fontaine, Libby Jadin, Dora DeKeyser, Grace Lampereur, Charlotte Dempsey, and Lema Lampereur.
October 23, 1968	No decision on acquisition of old school
October 30, 1968	Report on meeting with Baudhuins; no definite conclusions. Contract to be drawn up.
July 14, 1971	Plans for Booyah sale.
August 18, 1971	By-laws read and adopted; Theresa Alexander, Acting Secretary.
Sept. 23, 1971	Booyah sale profit, \$509.31; discussion on display of antiques

October 21, 1971	Louis Bosman appointed Acting Secretary; card party to be held November 7. Mrs. Clarence Laluzerne, Chairman. Discussion of materials needed for antique display.
November 18, 1971	Card party profit of \$34.75. Yard light installation, insurance, and antiques discussed. Meetings postponed for winter months.
April 20, 1972	Lawrence Chaudoir resigned as Secretary. Nominations made for election of officers. Report on Knights of Columbus trips given by Walter La Crosse. Austin Allard took a K.C. trip to Belgium.
May 18, 1972	Irene Conard elected Secretary. Discussion on possible trip to Belgium in Fall.
June 15, 1972	More information on Belgium trip. Decision made to hold picnic; liability insurance purchase recommended.
July 26, 1972	Club members re-roofed part of the Clubrooms.
August 17, 1972	Picnic profits of \$564.32 reported. Names of members going to Belgium read. Austin Allard showed slides of Spring trip to Belgium.
September 21, 1972	Club membership at 415. Discussion on sponsoring orphan Belgian children.
October 3, 1972	Group left for Belgium.
October 19, 1972	Tax exempt number requested. Survey made of land b elonging to Club. Note that Lunch Committee was to split "kitty" from each meeting. James Lampereur named Acting Secretary.
November 16, 1972	Slides of Belgium shown. Request made for old pictures and other antiques. Surveyor's bill questioned.
December 15, 1972	Dinner for tour group at Wally's in Duvall.
April 12, 1973	Suggestions received on completing the roofing job; on having another picnic; and on holding card parties. Wallace Charles, Harry Lampereur and Louis Jadin named to Nominating Committee.
May 17, 1973	Austin Allard named Trustee; other officers re-elected. Picnic to be held August 19.
June 21, 1973	Talk by Father Peeters regarding Belgian Club contribution to Holy Year.

July 19, 1973	Welcome to Belgian visitors. Decision made not to hold picnic in August.
August 16, 1973	Roofing completed. Discussion of tour to Belgium in 1974. Gift presented to Francoise Lampereur, young Belgian woman who works for a TV company there. She gave flag and pictures to Club.
September 20, 1973	Bumper stickers sold; Secretary of Milwaukee Belgian Club present.
October 18, 1973	---
November 15, 1973	Letters from Lucien Leonard and Francoise Lampereur read. Last meeting of year.
March 21, 1974	Discussion on purchase of booklets on History of the Belgian Community. Austin Allard, Lawrence Johnson, and Harvey LeMense named to Nominating Committee.
April 16, 1974	Permission received to sell Belgian History booklets. Visitors from Canada expected. Annual dues raised to \$2.00. Grace LeMense showed slides received from Willy Monfils.
May 16, 1974	Officers elected: Harry Chaudoir, President; Austin Allard, Vice-President; Grace LeMense, Secretary; Leonard Lampereur, Treasurer; Harry Lampereur, 3-year Trustee. Francoise Lampereur expected from Belgium on June 25 to tape material for Belgian TV.
June 20, 1974	Passport photos taken. Price for trip given as \$317. Much discussion on pending trip.
July 18, 1974	Down payments for trip collected. More explanation and questions answered.
August 15, 1974	Father Becker, Rosiere pastor, said Mass for safe trip. Airfare went up---now \$348.00.
August 29, 1974	Final meeting before departure.
September ---	Belgium
October 17, 1974	Treasury at \$1930.74. Pleasant tour reported.
November 21, 1974	Mass by Father Becker. Letters and messages from Mrs. Kline of Niles, Illinois, and a ham radio operator in Belgium; as well as from Patricia Offutt of Milwaukee, Senator Proxmire, and several others, were read. Harris Dhuey showed slides of trip.

March 20, 1975	News about people coming from Belgium on June 28. Entertainers hoping to earn money by performing.
April 14, 1975	Tentative itinerary for Belgians noted. The new Belgian Center at the University of Wisconsin/Green Bay explained.
May 15, 1975	Officers re-elected; Al Vandertie elected as Trustee. List of 130 people coming from Belgium includes Lucien Leonard, Charlie Henriette, and entertainers. Conversational Walloon class mentioned.
June 16, 1975	Belgian TV taped meeting. Large crowd. Itineraries passed out.
July 17, 1975	Several Belgian visitors attended meeting which was conducted in Walloon dialect. Letter read from Consulate General in Chicago.
August 21, 1975	Thank you letter from Lucien Leonard. Discussions concerning dues and upstairs museum. Movies of visitors shown.
September 15, 1975	Talk of trip to Longueuil, Canada. Ten people signed up; 30 needed.
October 16, 1975	Correspondence received from Lucien Leonard, Emile Grasser, and Capitol Airways. Mrs. Dorothy Heinrich of the Area Research Center, UW/GB was guest speaker. She explained Belgian project and asked for donations of pictures, diaries, music, etc. Some members were on a trip to Washington, D. C. Patricia Offutt was Acting Secretary for the meeting.
November 14, 1975	Paid University Travel for computerized mailing list. Request received for donation to 25th Anniversary celebration of King Baudhuin. \$100 was sent in name of the Club.

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